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Why the Populists Fixed Their
State Convention Later.

ARE AFRAID OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE

And Want Republicans to Show Their
Hands First—Fear of Republicans
Stealing Their Thunder Induces
Them to Issue a Platform Now.

The Populist state central committee adjourned at 10:30 last night, after fixing the date of the Populist state convention for June 12, at Topeka. There were two factions in the committee, one of which wanted the convention held May 31 or June 1, and the other about June 20. A compromise was made on June 12.

The main thing considered in fixing the date for the state convention by the central committee last night, was "How shall we dodge the suffrage question and prevent the Republicans from stealing our calamity thunder?"

During the evening when the committee was wrangling with this momentous question Frank Forrest who travels over the state in the interest of the Advocate delivered himself of his opinion on the subject.

He said: "If our convention is held after the Republicans hold their convention, we will lose all our thunder. I have been traveling over the state and I know what I am talking about. The Republicans are going to have a regular calamity platform this year. They will pass resolutions endorsing the action of United States Judge Caldwell, they will resolve on the decision of Judge Dundy and talk severely about railroad receivership. They are going to have a regular calamity platform and will steal our thunder, sure, if we allow them to hold their convention first."

The committee seemed to be impressed with the utterances of Forrest and they evoked a novel scheme to overcome the difficulty. They decided to hold their convention after the Republican convention, and thereby avoid trouble on the suffrage question, compelling the Republicans to show their hands by either adopting or rejecting a suffrage plank. The other horn of the dilemma was overcome by promulgating a platform themselves without waiting for the convention to do it.

The Populist state central committee has issued a platform upon which they propose to stand until their state convention meets at any rate.

For the first time in the history of their party in this state the Populists find themselves compelled to dodge the main issue before the people and wait until their opponents have outlined their position.

The committee before it adjourned adopted this advance platform covering the points they were afraid would be stolen by the Republicans. It is as follows: Resolved, That all persons irrespective of former party affiliations who believe in the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; who believe in more money and less taxes; who believe in strict economy in governmental affairs; who are opposed to the issuance of interest bearing bonds in times of peace; who believe in a graduated income tax; who believe in governmental ownership of railroads; who believe that the promises made by the government to the soldier where he enlisted should be strictly fulfilled; who believe that the freight and passenger rates in Kansas should be based on the cost of construction and expense of operating railroads and that such rates should be reduced to correspond with the reduced prices of the product of labor; who believe that the wages due railroad employees should be a first lien upon all property of the road payable before any other claim whether the road is operated by the company or by receivers; that no officers or stockholders of any railroad should be appointed receivers thereof and who believe that the legislation outlined herein will restore prosperity to the country and enable the thousands who are now tramping the country in enforced idleness to find employment and enjoy the fruits thereof, be invited to participate in the primaries and convention."

A resolution was adopted endorsing the ordinance of the Omaha platform barring state officers and employees from seats in the state convention.

The basis of representation was fixed on the vote of Secretary of State Osborn, one delegate being allowed for every 350 votes and two at large in each county.

The average vote of 1890 and 1892 is taken as the basis. This will give 612 delegates.

A HODGEMAN FIGHT.

To Oust County Commissioners on Account of Alleged Crookedness.

W. J. Gilbert, county attorney of Hodgeman county, came in yesterday afternoon to consult with Attorney General Little who commenced mandamus proceedings to oust two members of the board of county commissioners of Hodgeman county.

A demand was made upon the board to remove the county treasurer because of his failure to produce all the county funds which are supposed to be on deposit in bank. The Populist member expressed himself as favorable to the suspension of the treasurer, but the Fusionist and Republican members refused—hence the proceedings.

HE SAW KELLY'S ARMY.

Asst. Supt. of Insurance Taylor Met the Commencement at Ogden.

Asst. Supt. of Insurance Charles A. Taylor has returned from California. He says he met Kelly's army at Ogden and was among the men. "They are intelligent earnest men who are out of work," he said. "They are very orderly and have no arms of any kind. They are simply going to Washington to lobby that's all."

Mr. Taylor went to California to investigate the condition of the Oakland Home Fire Insurance company about which there had been complaint. He says that the company is again on its feet.

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Items of Interest from the North Side of the River.

H. M. Hale has gone east on a business trip.

Miss Kate Watkins is visiting friends in Kansas City.

Miss Bertha Morthland is reported some better today.

L. S. Steele of Lawrence, is spending a few days in the city.

Mrs. Dr. L. A. Ryder is entertaining Miss Lottie Copeland of Holton.

"Kinderspiel" at Second Presbyterian church tonight. Admission 15 cents.

Mrs. W. J. Norris is visiting friends here after an absence of some years in California.

Louis Petro is in from Herington making a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Petro.

Capt. "Jack" Curtis has returned from his southern trip, having gone only as far as Kansas City, where he sold his boat.

An early closing movement is being agitated among the dry goods and clothing merchants on this side; 6:30 seems to be the favorite hour.

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Program: Current Events, Mrs. W. B. Hutchinson; Paper—"Thomas Carlyle," Mrs. E. A. Simmerwell; Study of Carlyle's "Heroes and Hero Worship."

A tramp appeared on Harrison street yesterday with a new scheme, at least new to the people thereabouts. He came around the corner bareheaded, and ran into G. W. M. White's. He was given a hat, and had the cover reached the street than he tucked it under his coat and went in search of another hat.

The regular weekly burglary occurred on this side last night. This time P. J. Mulligan at the corner of Kansas avenue and Curtis streets was the victim. Mr. Mulligan keeps a billiard hall and closes up about 12 o'clock. He secures his rear door with an iron bar across it. When he came down this morning he found that some one had used an auger to make a hole in the door large enough to admit the hand and had removed the bar. Further investigation showed that the auger had been used successfully in effecting an entrance to a handsome side board behind his counter from which they took a quantity of tobacco and cigars. They were evidently looking for money as there was a show case filled with cigars on the counter.

The North Baptist church was organized twenty-five years ago this month, and is preparing to celebrate the occasion by a rally and roll-call tomorrow.

Services will be held all day in the church, the roll-call coming in the evening. Dinner and supper will be served free to members of the church and congregation.

A thank offering will form an important feature of the occasion. Joshua Browning will preside during the morning session, which will include a praise and devotional meeting and a social and dinner from 11:30 to 2 o'clock. Rev. S. J. Davis will preside at the afternoon session, which will include an historical address by Rev. J. Barrett; "Woman's Work in the Church," Mrs. J. Lapp; "Work of the Sunday School," J. A. Lukens; "The Primary Department," Mrs. M. A. Mitchell; address by Rev. J. M. Whitehead; "The Young People," Prof. E. A. Simmerwell; "What Junior Can Do," Miss Emma Evans. At the evening session the pastor will preside and will deliver an address on "Our Silver Wedding." E. D. Davis will discuss "The Spiritual Life of the Church."

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